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AN OPEN LETTER TO SENATOR FULBRIGHT

concerning

contain an American ambassador who is, to use your words, a "drunkard, a lecher, and a traitor." In the picture version, Senator, the ambassador is to be the hero — a patriot, and neither lush nor lecher.

An attack such as yours, in which you use such words as "shameful," "pernicious," and "false," is the more unfortunate because of its source. You are in a position of high public trust and a reputed supporter of foreign aid, a cause for which THE UGLY AMERICAN was written.

Last May you made a speech in which, while you expressed some reservations concerning some of the book's contentions, you praised the authors for awakening the nation to its needs. Last May you supported foreign aid. This September you blasted the authors; and this September you voted against the foreign aid bill. Why, Senator?

Finally, we urge you to read carefully the book you have attacked. Perhaps then you will understand why your distinguished colleagues Senators Engle, Humphrey, Kennedy, and Saltonstall, among others, publicly have endorsed THE UGLY AMERICAN and have urged it upon every member of the Congress.

Respectfully yours,

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